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Inventors: BUCHWALD *et al.*Our Ref: 1875.0560001

Sir:

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- 1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038);
- 2. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 3. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 4. Ten (10) sheets of Form PTO-1449 listing ninety-two (92) documents;
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